IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re application of: Paulsen

Attorney Docket No.: IGT1P026/P-256

Application No.: 09/819,152

Examiner: Jones, Scott E.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	43	MINUS	59		x 9 =	x 18 = 0
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Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
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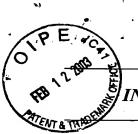
	Applicant(s) hereby petition for a month extension(s) of time to respond to the
	aforementioned Office Action.
\boxtimes	Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is
	determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension
	be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time
	under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
	Enclosed is our Check No in the amount of \$ to cover the additional
	claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
\boxtimes	Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the
	enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. IGT1P026)

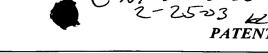
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RESPONSE A

Commissioner for Patents Box Non-Fee Amendment Washington, D.C. 20231 FEB 2 0 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 19370

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following remarks and amendments in response to the Office Action mailed on November 7, 2002.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amendments to the specification have been included as replacement paragraphs below. These replacement paragraphs are "clean," having no underlining or brackets. Attached hereto as Appendix A is a "marked-up" version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. Appendix A is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 25, line \\$8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The device drivers 559 utilize a communication protocol of some type that enable communication with a particular physical device. The device driver abstracts the hardware implementation of a device. For example, a device driver may be written for each type of card reader that may be potentially connected to the gaming machine. Examples of communication protocols used to implement the device drivers 559 include Netplex 560, USB 565, Serial 570,

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